

FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

Hints on Stable Management.

Pure air is as essential to the blood as sound food is to the sustenance of the body. Consumed air is vitiated air, the volume of oxygen is reduced, carbonic acid is in excess. The stable is full of organic impurities given off by the skin and the lungs. Ventilation is found in all well regulated stables, and draughts are unknown, or ought to be.

Good grooming is demanded under stable management and in fast work. The brush, as a rule, should follow the direction of the hair, except when dirt and sweat are caked onto the coat; then you require to go against the lie of the coat—the set of the coat. Good grooming shortens the coat, gives a gloss and develops physical force.

Horses fed largely on other foods demand less hay, but hay is essential in distending the stomach, and thus assisting digestion. From six to fourteen pounds daily; the average use is ten pounds in many stables. To maintain hunting or racing condition, old hay is essential.

Clover, vetches and trifolium are laxative and cooling, and excellent for the invalid horse or the youngster. They should be given sparingly, at the early part of the season. Green forage should never be given to horses in fast work, except on Saturdays nights.

The horse may be trusted to gauge his thirst, except on occasions of extreme exertion. That horses are the better for being watered before being fed is an admitted fact with all veterinary surgeons. Colic and gripes are thus avoided. The explanation given is this: When the stomach is full, water, passing rapidly through the stomach, on the way is very apt to carry with it into the small intestines undigested corn, and this produces local irritation. There is less danger in watering a horse actively warm than when the system is somewhat lowered. Soft water is better for all stock, and on no account let horses drink dirty water; it is most objectionable.

What to Do With the Runts.

With every litter of pigs there will be one dwarf or "runt," often two of the litter is a large one. It will always be profitable, and often, if not generally, an act of humanity to sever the spinal cord, where the neck joins on the head, with a sharp pointed knife, as soon as these runts are born. They usually die away before six months old; and with the utmost care and attention, and with but three to five in the litter, we never have been able to make anything of them but little mangy runts; a torture to themselves and a nuisance to the owner. In ordinary litters, up to their death, they consume milk that would nourish the others and only waste on them. Hence the earlier they are put out of the way the better. Breeders generally know this, but hesitate to kill them; but it is on all accounts the better way.

Artificial Manures.

Results obtained with artificial fertilizers and especially with what are known as "complete manures," are often surprising in potato culture and truck gardening. Potatoes grown with the use of commercial fertilizers are less liable to disease, and the quality of vegetables in many instances is improved. Quality seems to be largely dependent upon the rapidity and healthfulness of growth, and a slow acting manure will most surely produce inferior vegetables, lacking flavor. Peas, beans, radishes, carrots, etc., grown thereon are tough and flavorless, and likewise many fruits. The tenderness of beets, carrots, etc., depends on quick growth. Asparagus from soil rich in soluble food is full flavored, tender and luscious to the very tips.

To Clean the Teeth.

There is not one of my patients out of ten, said a well-known dentist, "who does not inquire anxiously as to what is the best method of cleaning and preserving the teeth. I tell them all the same thing, and that is to use nothing but water. More good teeth are ruined by so-called dentifrices than by all other causes put together, and the reason is that these preparations contain strong alkalis, so that with very little rubbing the teeth will look clean and white. But these take the enamel off, and before long the teeth are utterly destroyed. There are many dentifrices, however, which are not so bad, and many reliable dentists have preparations which do not produce the same effect as that of which I spoke first, consequently many people do not consider them so good. But after all a moderately hard brush, plenty of cold water and nothing else will keep the teeth in excellent condition. Sweetmeats are bad for the teeth; so is smoking and the taking of very hot or very cold drinks. But the worst thing of all is the so-called dentifrice."—Phil. Bulletin.

Try it and See.

Speaking of "fads," the latest from New York is that about women who moisten their lips. "Why do women moisten their lips when they are looked at?" Do they, or do they not? An Atlanta devotee of this fad, who has studied the question for three weeks, says that as soon as you look at a woman—intently, but not rudely—she will involuntarily moisten both her lips. She must be some one with whom you are not acquainted. Try it in a street car, for instance, and it is sure to work.—Atlanta Constitution.

THE STORY OF A BUSTLE.

WHY A FAMILY MAN OBJECTS TO HIS SERVANTS WEARING THEM.

"Talking about bustles," said the father of a family, suddenly arousing himself from deep meditation. "Here's an advertisement I had prepared:

WANTED.—A servant girl without a bustle or other artificial enlargement of the anatomy; no objection to carrying cold victuals home in a basket; no bustle need apply.

"My wife wanted to know if I was dropping back into barbarism, and declared that the tyranny of man would stop at nothing. Why should I attempt to abridge the civil rights of servant girls by depriving them of their constitutional privilege to wear bustles? Her woman's sense of justice was shocked, and she declared that I would not dare suggest such a thing if women had votes; and when I suggested the election frauds that might be practiced by women with bustles full of ballots she began to cry and said my cruelty was inspired by envy because she had just that day bought a new extra size 99-cent bustle that made her dress stand out just lovely. I might have it if I wanted and she would continue wearing the old one that was twisted all on one side and made her look like a chicken going across the wind. She enlarged upon the subject by declaring that I sought to deprive poor servants of their principal source of comfort—the rudder that kept them upon their course. I surely would not deprive a poor girl of her bustle. And I listened to all this and more. Then I led her gently into the kitchen and unhooked the bustle. Honesty had left hanging behind the door—Honesty is the name of our servant girl that was. There was something prophetic in the choice on her christening day. I quietly unhooked Honesty's bustle from the door and emptied from it a half pound of tea, six of the babies' most useful articles of clothing, one towel, two pounds of sugar, three silver spoons, a bottle of pickles, a beefsteak, a box of tinted cosmetic and a pair of stockings. My wife fainted dead away—after she had scoured the range and hid it from my sight in the back folds of her own dress. Now she weeps when I come home to dinner, and declares that we'll never get a servant who is willing to dispense with a bustle for the consideration of \$15 per month, unless Mr. Goodmaker, the missionary, can get us one way off there where they eat folks and don't wear any clothes at all. Then she covers her face with her hands and says it would never do for a servant to answer the door-bell dressed that way. Meanwhile, by a laborious mathematical process, I have been calculating the capacity of Honesty's bustle, and find it holds just three half-packs and a pint, which is ample storage room, it used only for transportation and not permanent storage, for half my regular family supply of groceries and provisions, not to mention dry goods and notions."

A North Carolina Tragedy.

FATHER AND SON SHOT DOWN IN A DISPUTE OVER A TRACT OF LAND.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., May 23.—A special to the Daily Sun from Webster, Jackson county, says that on yesterday afternoon Allen B. Dilla, a well-known farmer, near here, shot and killed William H. Bumgarner and fatally wounded his father, Logan Bumgarner. The difficulty grew out of a misunderstanding about a small tract of land, and is the termination of an old feud. The Bumgarners had been at work on the disputed land during the morning. While they were at dinner Dills went to the spot armed with a double-barreled gun and awaited their return. As they approached Dills said: "Don't come any further or I'll shoot." They, however, continued to approach. Dills discharged one barrel of the gun without doing any damage, and attempted to fire again, but the cap snapped, and as the elder Bumgarner continued to approach Dills drew a pistol and fired several shots, all of which took effect on the old man, who fell. The young man, who had a single-barreled gun, then fired at Dills and turned to run. Dills fired upon him, striking him in the back, and he ran a short distance and fell dead. Dills made his escape, and is still at large. The latest report says the old man Bumgarner had seven bullets in him, and is expected to die in any moment.

Your Destiny.

According to all the charts gotten up by the astrologists, what may be expected of girls born in the different months is about as follows: If in January, a prudent housewife, given to melancholy, but good tempered. If in February, a humane and affectionate wife and tender mother. If in March, a frivolous chatter box, somewhat given to quarreling. If in April, inconstant, not very intelligent, but apt to be good looking. If in May, handsome, amiable, and likely to be happy. If in June, impetuous, will marry young, and be frivolous. If in July, pleasantly handsome, but with a sunny temper. If in August, amiable and practical, and likely to marry rich. If in September, discreet, affable and much liked. If in October, pretty and coquettish and likely to be unhappy. If in November, liberal, kind, and of a will, disposition. If in December, well proportioned, fond of novelty and extravagance.

Sunday Schools on Wheels.

BLOOMINGTON, ILL., May 22.—

The most novel train ever seen in Illinois passed through the State to-day from Cairo to Rockford. It was a lot of Sunday schools, and a Sunday school convention on wheels and in active operation as it traversed the prairies and forests of the State. It consisted of twenty cars, and each car had its superintendent, secretary, treasurer, and chorister, with William Reynolds, of Peoria, as general superintendent. For every car there was a complete programme, with music, lessons and speech making. Every car was handsomely decorated with banners.

Editor Willard Cobb of Lockport tells this story of Roscoe Conkling's remarkable memory.

In the fall of 1860 Mr. Conkling came home to Utica to make a speech upon the exciting issues of the hour, and the Herald wanted to report it in full, but couldn't do it unless the orator would give it a copy of the speech in advance. This he did on the afternoon of the evening when he was to speak, and in the evening he delivered the speech almost word for word as furnished in advance, although the effort was to every appearance extempore. It made upward of eleven solid columns of the Utica Herald.

Miss Eliza Bliss, of Rehoboth, Conn., supplied a tramp with a meal the other day. While she was preparing the food the tramp sang "Nearer, My God, to Thee," and at the same time stole the lady's pocketbook and \$25 from her bureau drawer. "Tramp, tramp, the boys are marching."

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Alexandria	9:15 " "	12:25 " "	7:03 " "	12:15 a.m.
Manassas	10:21 " "	1:01 " "	7:25 " "	12:45 a.m.
Warrenton Junction	10:23 " "	1:03 " "	7:27 " "	1:00 a.m.
Orange	11:25 " "	2:15 " "	8:29 " "	2:00 " "
Charlottesville	11:27 " "	2:17 " "	8:31 " "	2:02 " "
Arrive Lynchburg	3:25 " "	5:45 " "	1:00 a.m.	5:15 " "
Franklin Junction	3:27 " "	5:47 " "	1:02 a.m.	5:17 " "
Danville	3:29 " "	5:49 " "	1:04 a.m.	5:19 " "
Hot Springs	3:31 " "	5:51 " "	1:06 a.m.	5:21 " "
Atlanta	3:33 " "	5:53 " "	1:08 a.m.	5:23 " "
Memphis	3:35 " "	5:55 " "	1:10 a.m.	5:25 " "
New Orleans	3:37 " "	5:57 " "	1:12 a.m.	5:27 " "
Louisville	3:39 " "	5:59 " "	1:14 a.m.	5:29 " "
Cincinnati	3:41 " "	6:01 " "	1:16 a.m.	5:31 " "

NORTHBOUND.

	No. 51. Daily.	No. 53. Daily.	No. 50. Daily.	No. 55. Daily.
Leave Danville	10:30 a.m.	11:40 a.m.	5:30 p.m.	11:00 p.m.
Franklin Junction	11:38 " "	12:47 " "	6:38 " "	12:08 " "
Lynchburg	12:00 " "	1:09 " "	7:00 " "	12:30 " "
Charlottesville	12:02 " "	1:11 " "	7:02 " "	12:32 " "
Orange	12:04 " "	1:13 " "	7:04 " "	12:34 " "
Warrenton Junction	12:06 " "	1:15 " "	7:06 " "	12:36 " "
Manassas	12:08 " "	1:17 " "	7:08 " "	12:38 " "
Alexandria	12:10 " "	1:19 " "	7:10 " "	12:40 " "
Arrive Washington	3:23 " "	8:10 " "	10:45 " "	9:40 " "
Baltimore	11:25 " "	10:03 " "	1:12 p.m.	11:25 " "
Philadelphia	3:00 " "	12:30 " "	1:42 p.m.	3:00 a.m.
New York	6:20 " "	3:30 " "	4:55 " "	6:20 a.m.

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Alexandria, Arrive	9:52 " "	9:52 " "
Manassas	10:15 " "	10:15 " "
Front Royal	10:31 " "	10:31 " "
Riverton	10:47 " "	10:47 " "
Leave Strasburg	11:03 " "	11:03 " "

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